(ख) क्या यह सच है कि आठ घण्टे की बजाए श्रमिकों से प्रति दिन 12 से 15 घण्टे तक कार्य कराया जाता है जबकि उन्हें सिर्फ 8 घंटे की ही मजदूरी का भुगतान किया जाता है ;

(ग) यदि हां, तो क्या ठेकेदारों को कमीशन देने और श्रमिकों को समय पर मजदूरी अथवा समयोपरि भत्ते का भुगतान करने के लिये कोई प्रस्ताव सरकार के विचाराधीन है और क्या इस संबंध में कोई विसंगति सरकार की जानकारी में आई है ;

(घ) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है और क्या सरकार इस मामले की कोई जांच कराने का विचार रखती है ; और

(ङ) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है और यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

श्रम मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री जगदीश टाईटलर) : (क) दिल्ली प्रशासन के अनुसार, मैसर्स हाइडल कंस्ट्रक्शन प्राइवेट लिमिटेड, इंजीनियर्स एण्ड कन्ट्रेक्टर्स, 78, नेहरू प्लेस, नई दिल्ली ठेका श्रम (विनियमन और उत्सादन) अधिनियम, 1970 के उपबन्धों के अधीन न तो ठेकेदार और नहीं प्रधान नियोक्ता के रूप में पंजीकृत है । यह बताया गया है कि कम्पनी ने संघ राज्य क्षेत्र दिल्ली में कोई परियोजना शुरू नहीं की है बल्कि इसने ये परियोजनाएं असम, मेघालय हिमाचल प्रदेश तथा उत्तर प्रदेश राज्यों में शुरू की है, जिनके संबंध में सूचना सहज उपलब्ध नहीं है ।

(ख) से (ङ) प्रश्न नहीं उठते ।

Representation from All India Veterinary and Animal Husbandry Technical Staff Federation

2077. SHRI G. SWAMINATHAN: . Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any representation has been received by Government from the All India Veterinary and Animal Husbandry Technical Staff Federation during December 19B7;

(b) if so, what are the demands of the non-graduate Veterinary staff; and

(c) what action is proposed to be taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV); (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The demands cover amendment of the Indian Veterinary Council Act and need for in-service training and promotional avenues for veterinary field assistants, stock assistants and such other personnel. A; regards Indian Veterinary Council Aet, 1984 there is no proposal to amend it as the duties and responsibilities of above personnel are fully safeguarded under this Act. As regards in-service training and promotional avenues—these being service matters involving financial liability fall within the purview of State Governments. The Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, has, however, forwarded the recommendations of the National Commission on Agriculture to the States on above service matters.

Registration of Non-Graduate Veterinarians

2078. SHRI G. SWAMINATHAN: Will'the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Veterinary Council Act, 1984 imposes conditions on Non-Graduate Veterinarians for practising;

(b) if so, the number of Non-Graduate Veteriarians, who are working in Rural Areas, affected by the imposition of the Act;

(c) what is the alternative with Government *to* provide Veterinary Services in these rural areas;

(d) whether the State Government of Maharashtra have registered them as Veterinary practitioners; and

(e) if so, wfieftier Government propose to amend the Veterinary Council Act, 1984 to register such non-graduate?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) to (c) The Indian Veterinary Council Act, 1984 fully safeguards the duties and responsibilities of veterinary field assistants/stock assistants and such other non-graduate personnel as they can render Minor veterinary services under the supervision and "direction of registered veterinary practitioners. As such veterinary services in rural areas will not be affected.

(d) Many States have their own Veterinary Practitioners Acts and as per most of the State , Veterinary Practitioners Acts and the Indian Veterinary Council Act, only veterinary graduates are eligible for registration. However, as per the Maharashtra Veterinary Practitioners Act, 1971, a person can be registered even though he may not be possessing qualifications entitling him fo have his name entered in the register.

(e) As provisions in the Indian Veterinary Council Act,. 1984 have been made on the basis of provisions available in mostpf the State Veterinary Practitioners Acts, and the Indian Medical Council Act, there is no proposal to amend the Indian Veterinary Council Act, 1984.

Ban on practice by Non-Graduate Veterinarians

2079. SHRI G. SWAMINATHAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE., be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the " fact that the Non-Graduate Veterinarians are working independently in Rural Veterinary Dispensaries and Veterinary Sub-centres for over 30' years;

(b) if so, what were the reasons, for imposing conditions on their existing practice by the Indian Veterinary Council Act, 1984; and

(o) what are the reasons for not recognising their services based on their qualification and experience on the line of Pharmacy/Homoeopathy and Auyrvedic Council Act?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRl SHYAM LAL YADAV); (a) Veterinary field assistants, stock assistants etc. look after the work of: veterinary first aid centres/stockmen centres located in rural areas under the administrative and technical control of veterniary assistant surgeons of nearby veterinary hospitals or dispensaries.

(b) The Indian Veterinary Council Act, 1984 fully safeguards the duties and responsibilities of veterinary field assistants/stocks assistants etc. as such personnel can render Minor Veterinary Services under the supervision and direction of registered veterinary practitioners.

(c) Does not arise.

Eviction of Hindi News Ageneies

2080. SHRI KANHU CHARAN LENKA; Will the Mmister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that two defunct Hindi news agencies are occupying prime accommodation in New Delhi without giving any rent to Government;

(b) whether it is also -a fact that-one of these agencies has allowed some business to be opened -'n the premises near Connaught Place;

(c) *it* so, what are the reasons for permitting continued misuse of the said premises; and